

ENERGY STAR® QUALIFIED DISHWASHERS

Save water, save energy, and lower your utility bills with ENERGY STAR qualified dishwashers.

SAVE WATER AND ENERGY

- The next time your car gets dirty, you can clean it with a little help from an ENERGY STAR qualified dishwasher. Compared to a conventional model, an ENERGY STAR qualified dishwasher saves
 - enough water every year to wash your car five times over. Whoever thought clean dishes and clean cars could go hand in hand?
- Qualifying washers are also 25 percent more energy efficient than other models. Replacing a 10-year-old dishwasher with an ENERGY STAR qualified model can lower your energy bill by more than \$30 a year.
- Since these dishwashers contain their own water heaters, you can boost your energy savings by turning down the thermostat on your water heater from 140°F to 120°F.
 Lowering the thermostat can cut your heating costs by an additional 10 percent. It can also prevent unexpected scald burns in the kitchen or bath.

If every household chose an ENERGY STAR qualified dishwasher, the water saved would allow everyone in the United States to shower once a day for 11 days.



FNFRGY-SAVING OPTIONS

Scrape, but don't rinse. Scrape food off dishes, but let ENERGY STAR qualified dishwashers do the washing. These models will clean dishes thoroughly without rinsing, which uses about 20 gallons of water before dishes are even loaded.

Fill it up. Run your dishwasher with a full load. Most of the energy used by a dishwasher goes to heat water. Since you can't decrease the amount of water used per cycle, fill your dishwasher to get the most from the energy used to run it.

Avoid the heat-dry, rinse-hold, and pre-rinse features. For drying, use your dishwasher's air-dry option instead. You'll get the same results, but use less water and energy.

PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT

ENERGY STAR labeled dishwashers are good for the environment because they use less water and electricity to do the same work as conventional models. By purchasing energy-efficient products, consumers demand less energy from power plants, which helps prevent air pollution. By saving water, ENERGY STAR qualified dishwashers also reduce the energy needed to pump, heat, and treat water.

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